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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated November 29, 2005 for one month from February 28, 2006 to March 29, 2006.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$120.00 for the cost of the extension. If any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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